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S E C R E T KUWAIT 1488

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TAGS: MASS, KU

SUBJECT: MILITARY SALES TO KUWAIT, F-8 H AIRCRAFT REQUIREMENTS

REF: KUWAIT 1486

1. DURING MEETING MAY 2 AT KAF HEADQUARTERS CMDR WRIGHT WAS TOLD BY KAF CHIEF OF STAFF AJEEL AND OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT THAT DECISION HAD BEEN MADE TO PROCURE F-8 H ONLY. WRIGHT NOTED THAT COST OF MODIFYING F-8 K OR L TO CONFIGURATION DESIRED WOULD BE PROHITITIVE.

2. SET OUT BELOW ARE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS KAF WANTS IN CONNECTION WITH F-8 H PURCHASE. EMBASSY REQUESTS COMMENTS AND GUIDANCE FROM OP-6 (FMS) RE FOLLOWING.

A) INCORPORATION OF DUAL VHF/ UHF COMMAND RADIO VICE EXISTING UHF ONLY.

B) INCORPORATION OF ONMI AND ILS.

C) INCLUDING USN ECM EQUIPMENT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE IN F-8 H AIRCRAFT (APR-27, ALQ-100, ELE-29 A, APR-30).

D) KAF DESIRES FULL SET ORDNANCE PYLONS AND LAUNCHERS WITH SUCH AIRCRAFT.

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E) INVESTIGATE COMPATIBILITY MATRA 530 (RADAR) AND 550(IR)
MISSILES AND SNEB ROCKET LAUNCHERS WITH F-8 AIRCRAFT ORDNANCE
STATIONS.

F) KAF PROBABLY WILL REDUCE ENGINE SPARE FROM 20 TO 12.

G) KAF DESIRES SUPPORT EQUIPMENT FOR 2 OPERATIONAL SITES.

H) KAF DESIRES (O" LEVEL MAINTENANCE CAPABILITY AT 2
SITES

AND (I" LEVEL AT ONE.

I. KAF DESIRES GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (GSE) FOR FIVE
YEARS AND AIRCRAFT SPARE PARTS FOR THREE YEARS BASED UPON
30 FLIGHT HOUR/ AIRCRAFT/ MONTH.

J) KAF DESIRES ONE SET OF AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS MOCK- UP PANELS
FOR TRAINING.

K) KAF DESIRES AN F-8 H WEAPONS SYSTEM TRAINEE (WST) SIMULATOR.

L. KAF DESIRES CONTRACTOR INVESTIGATE LEASE OF 2- SEATED F-8.

M. KAF ALSO DESIRES COST OF FOUR SETS OF E-5 CHURN TYPE
ARRESTING GEAR(ENOUGH FOR 2 OPERATIONAL SITES.)

3. COMMENT: ABOVE TAKEN FROM WRIGHT' S MEETING NOTES WHICH
HE MADE PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE FROM KUWAIT AM 3 MAY FOR CONUS.
SUGGEST HE BE CONTACTED ASAP FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.
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NOTE BY OC/ T: DISSEMINATION COORDINATED WITH S/ S- O - MR. EALUM.

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